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broadcasting the data at the scheduled time.

A method of processing data, comprising:

receiving scheduling information providing broadcast times for data broadcasts and information to identify an encoding format and one or more viewer applications to process the data broadcasts;

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receiving data from one of the broadcasts at the scheduled broadcast time; and processing the received data with a viewer application responsive to the scheduling information.

A method of processing data, comprising:

receiving scheduling information that provides broadcast times for data broadcasts and information for identifying an encoding format and viewer applications for processing the broadcasts; and

writing the scheduling information to a scheduling table having entries indexed by scheduled broadcast times and channels.

A system for receiving data broadcasts, comprising:

an interface to receive broadcasts of data in an encoding format;

a data storage device storing viewer applications to decode the received data; and a processor coupled to the data storage device, the processor to select and execute ones of the viewer applications based on scheduling information and the encoding format for the broadcasts.

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A data storage device encoding computer executable instructions for a method of broadcasting data, the instructions to cause a system to:

send information to a receiver about a scheduled time and encoding format for a broadcast of data, the encoding format being indicative of one or more viewer applications for processing the data; and

broadcast the data at the scheduled time.

A data storage device storing executable instructions, the instructions to cause a computer to:

receive scheduling information for encoding formats and broadcast times of broadcasts of data;

receive data from one of the broadcasts at the scheduled broadcast time; and process the received data with a viewer application for processing encoding format, the viewer application being responsive to the scheduling information for the one of the broadcasts.

## In the abstract:

Please replace the abstract with the following version.

A method broadcasts data. The method includes sending to a receiver scheduling information that includes a scheduled time and broadcasting data at the scheduled time. The scheduling information identifies an encoding format and one or more viewer applications capable of processing the data broadcast.

